IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: John Paul Hobgood DATE: April 27, 2006

SERIAL NO.: 10/807,708 GROUP ART UNIT: 3723

FILED: March 24, 2004 EXAMINER: Frank Tsay

FOR: "Tong Positioning and Alignment Device"

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: A04003US (98864.1)

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RESPONSE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2006. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action, making a response due by April 24, 2006. Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response for one month from April 24, 2006 to May 24, 2006.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are shown in strikeout):